

# THE Caledonian Mercury

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## CHURCH OF ROYAL

By Desire of the Right Honourable and Most Worshipful,  
**DAVID STEUART EARL OF BUCHAN,**  
GRAND MASTER

OF THE ANCIENT AND HONOURABLE FRATERNITY OF  
**FREE MASON'S**

On MONDAY Evening, January 5, 1784, will be presented,  
A COMEDY called

**WHICH IS THE MAN?**

Written by Mrs Cowley, Author of the Belle's Stratagem, Bold Stroke  
for a Husband, &c.

Belville, Mr WOODS;  
Fitzherbert, Mr WILMOT WELLES;

His First Appearance on this Stage.

Beauchamp, Mr Sutherland; Lord Sparkle, Mr Hallion; First Gentleman at the Court, Mr Bell; Second Gentleman at the Court, Mr Tansley; Richard, Mr Bland, junior; Robert, Mr J. Bland; And Pendragon, Mr MOSS.

Miss Pendragon, (with a Song in Character,) Mrs JACKSON;

Julia, Mrs Woods; Clarinda, Mrs Henderson; Kitty, Mrs Sparks;

Tiffany, Mrs Jannett; Mrs Johnson, Mrs Charteris; First Lady at the Court, Mrs Montfort; Second Lady at the Court, Mrs Mills;

And Lady Bell Bloomer, Mrs WILMOT WELLES.

Being her First Appearance in this Kingdom.

With a New OCCASIONAL PROLOGUE,

Written, and to be Spoken by Mr WOODS.

MASONIC SONGS between the Acts.

To which will be added, a Musical Entertainment; called,

**THE QUAKER.**

Steady (the Quaker), Mr DAVIES.

Being his First Appearance on this Stage.

Tickets to be had of Mr Ginn at the Office of the Theatre, where  
Places for the Boxes may be taken.

## Breslaw's New Various Entertainments.

**A THE DANCING ROOM, ST MARY'S CHAPEL, Nigher's Wynd, MONDAY and TUESDAY next, the 5th and 6th of January 1784.**

In the evening, at seven o'clock, will be displayed, a Variety of capital Performances—by Mr Breslaw, Miss Florella, Signor Arcalanti, Signor Andrica, and the New Rogniol, the particulars of which are expressed in the hand bills.

The room will be elegantly illuminated and commodiously prepared for the reception of the Ladies and Gentlemen, that every person may have a view of the performance.

Proper Music will attend between the acts.

Admittance Two Shillings each person.

Tickets to be had at the principal Coffeehouses, and of Mr INNES confecturer. Places to be taken, or any person desirous to learn some Deceptions, by applying to Mr Breslaw, at Mr JOHNSTON'S School-master, opposite the Concert Room, Nigher's Wynd.

## A WATCH LOST.

**T**HERE was lost, on the Walk of Leith, on Thursday the first current, a SILVER WATCH, with steel chain, the maker's name HASTINGS, No. 100.

It is requested, that if such watch is offered to sale, the may be stopped, and information given to the Publisher, so as the may be restored to the owner.

**T**O be SOLD immediately, by private bargain, at Beaufort House, near Haddington,

**A Very Capital Collection of the Choicest**

and scarce GREEN-HOUSE PLANTS, in the highest perfection, and such as are not to be met with in any collection in Scotland.

Likewise a HUNTER, master of twelve stone weight, six years old, in thorough order for the field, lowest price 30 Guineas; and a FILLY, five years old, very fit for a lady's pad, got by Blank, lowest price 20 guineas; also a COLT, rising four years old, unbroke, lowest price 20 guineas. This Colt is remarkably strong and well bred.

Also several MILK COWS, of a particular fine breed, and large size. John Burnett, owner, at Beaufort House, will show these articles, and treat with purchasers.

Not to be repeated.

## ARMOUR AND HAMILTON,

AT THE PEACOCK.



Opposite the Luckenbooths.

**H**AVE recently on hand a very large assortment of all the different articles in the Cloth Trade, chiefly adapted

For WINTER Wear.

Best Superfine Cloths, the most fashionable colours.

Rich Gold Tissue Velvets, and figured Velvets in a most elegant taste.

Rich Satins, Florentines, and Cotton Velvets—Superfine Duffels for great coats, exceedingly light, and very warm—Fine thin Cloths for albos—Common Duffels, Hunters Duffels, Frazers, and Kerseys.

Fashionable Cockey Hats—Silk, Thread, and Worsted Hosiery.

**ZETLAND STOCKINGS** at 6d. per pair, for wearing above shoes, to prevent slipping in frosty weather.

As **ARMOUR AND HAMILTON'S** winter stock of goods is but just laid in, they are all fresh from the hands of the manufacturers, and will be sold as low as in any shop in town.

## GRAMOND BRIDGE TRUSTEES.

By Order of **DAVID BUNDAS**, Esq; of Duddingston, Convener.

**T**HE Trustees for the Turnpike-road between Gramond Bridge and Queensferry, are requested to meet on Saturday the 17th day of January current, within the Town-house of Queensferry, by twelve o'clock noon, when matters of consequence will be laid before them.

**ROBERT CHARMAN**, Clerk.

Not to be repeated.

## SOAP WORK AND UTENSILS.

**T**O be SOLD by Public roup, within the Royal Exchange Coffeehouse, in Edinburgh, upon Monday the 12th January, betwixt the hours of five and six afternoon, One Sixth Part of a Scotch Acre of GROUND, thereby, formerly part of the garden ground of the lands of Crofting, lying within the parish of Canongate, and therewith of Edinburgh, with the whole HOUSES and BUILDINGS lately erected thereon by Bogie, Morrison, and Co; late soap boilers at Abbey-hill; and a whole Utensils and other Utensils in these buildings, used by that company in their business of soap boiling.

The ground, houses, and utensils, may be seen any time before the sale, by applying to Mr Swinton Wright, Abbey-hill; and an inventory of the particulars, with the articles and conditions of roup, by applying Patrick Caplan, writer, at Duff's office, Edinburgh.

## To the Freeholders of Mid Lothian.

**T**HE FREEHOLDERS of the said shire are desired to meet at Edinburgh, upon Thursday the 8th instant, betwixt the hours of twelve mid-day and one afternoon, within the inner Session-house of Edinburgh, to elect and choose a Representative in Parliament for the said shire, in terms of the Writ directed to the Sheriff for that effect, Jan. 3d. 1784.

## NOTICE

To the Creditors of **HAGG, DEAS, and CO.** and **HAGG and ALEXANDER** Merchants in Alloa.

**T**HE Creditors of the above Companies are desired by the trustees to meet in the Exchange Coffeehouse in Edinburgh, on Saturday the 17th of January current, at twelve o'clock noon, in order to receive a final dividend of the bankrupt's effects.

## NOTICE

**I**T is requested, that all those to whom the **Mrs GORDON** of Whiteley, Sheriff deputy of the county of Moray, was indebted, by bond, bill, account or otherwise, will transmit particular notes of their claims to Alexander Grant, writer, at Mr Isaac Grant's writer to the Sheriff, Edinburgh, specifying the vouchers of debt and particular period from which the annualities are owing.

## LAST NOTICE

To the Creditors of **WILLIAM and WALTER TAIT** Merchants in Glasgow.

**A**LTHOUGH, these Creditors have been repeatedly required, by former advertisements, to give in their claims with affidavits, yet some of them have hitherto neglected doing so; the trustees on Messrs Tait's liquidated estate, therefore, require those of the Creditors who have failed to lodge their claims, with affidavits, in the hands of John Lang writer in Glasgow, on or before the second day of February next; certifying them, that if this last requisition is not complied with, the trustees will divide the funds among the Creditors whose claims are then proved and lodged.

## NOTICE

To the Creditors of **MEIK, KIPPEN and CO.** Merchants in Greenock.

**T**HAT, upon the application of Andrew Dewar, cashier to the Merchant Banking Company of Glasgow, the Lord Henderson, Ordinary, officiating upon the bills, did, upon the 22 January current, renew the sequestration of the personal estate of the said **Meik, Kippen and Co.** with the addition of all heritable subjects belonging to them, and appointed the Creditors to meet at Greenock, within the house of Mr Mackenzie, within there, upon Wednesday the 21st January current, at 10 o'clock noon, in order to chuse an interim factor, or trustee, for managing the effects of the bankrupts, in terms of the statute.

This is therefore intimating to the Creditors of the said **Meik, Kippen and Co.** to meet in terms of the above order.

## NOTICE

To the Creditors of **JAMES ANDERSON**, late Merchant in Glasgow.

**T**HAT, upon the application of Andrew Dewar, cashier to the Merchant Banking Company of Glasgow, the Lord Henderson, Ordinary, officiating upon the bills, did, upon the 22 January current, renew the sequestration of the personal estate of the said **James Anderson**, with the addition of all heritable subjects belonging to the bankrupt, and appointed the Creditors to meet at Glasgow, within the house of Patrick McKim, within there, upon the 14th January current, at 10 o'clock noon, in order to their naming an interim factor on the said sequestrated estate in terms of the statute.

This is therefore intimating to the Creditors of the said **James Anderson**, to meet in terms of the above order.

## NOTICE

To the Creditors of **ROBERT HEWAT**, Yarn-merchant in Perth.

**T**HAT, upon the application of Archibald Graham, cashier to Sir James Maxwell, James Ritchie, Esq; and Company, bankers in Glasgow, and of the said Company themselves, creditors of the said **Robert Hewat**, the Lord Henderson, Ordinary, on the bills, did, upon the 20th day of December last, renew the sequestration formerly awarded of the personal estate of the said **Robert Hewat**, with the addition of all lands and other heritable subjects belonging to him, situated within Scotland; and appointed his creditors to meet at Perth, and within the house of John Campbell, writer there, on Wednesday the 14th day of January current, at twelve o'clock noon, for the purpose of chusing an interim factor on the said sequestrated estate, pending their grounds of debt, with copies of verities thereon, and carrying into execution the other particulars directed to be done by the late act of Parliament. And appointed the Meeting to be advertised in the newspapers. In obedience to which order, this intimation is given to all concerned.

## Ware-room and Dwelling-Houses in Edinburgh,

**TO SELL.**

**T**O be SOLD by public roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouse of Edinburgh, upon Tuesday the 13th day of January next, betwixt the hours of five and six afternoon, the following SUBJECTS lying in the city of Edinburgh, viz.

**1.** That **LARGE NEW WARE-ROOM**, 29 feet by 19, fronting the High-street of Edinburgh, being the first flat of that new tenement of land opposite to Blackfriars Wynd, together with the Dwelling-house adjoining thereto, consisting of three good rooms and a Kitchen, and other conveniences, all possessed by William Coupar upholsterer in Edinburgh, which were formerly let at 35 l. Sterling yearly. But have been set in tack to Mr Coupar for these seven years for 30 l. as the landlord was to be kept free of repairs. The tack expires at Whitunday first. Together with the Small House entering by three steps from Morrison's Close, and Cellar thereto, belonging, presently set at 3 l. 10 s. Sterling yearly.

These subjects are insured in the Friendly Insurance Office, and the premiums paid up.

The articles of roup, and conditions of sale, to be seen in the hands of Alexander Thomson, writer, Fowls's Close; to whom any person desirous to make a private bargain may apply.

## HOUSES, &c. AT INVERESK,

**T**O be SOLD, by private sale, that large and commodious DWELLING-HOUSE, on the south side of the High Street of Inveresk, with coach-house, stables, and other offices: AS ALSO, two large Gardens declining to the south, well stored with fruit-trees of the best kinds, come to maturity; together with an inclosure of about six acres adjoining to the gardens, and giving access to the Haugh of Inveresk, and the walks along the river-side with a large well-stocked pigeon-house in the middle of the inclosure: AS ALSO, that Range of Small Houses lying on the north-east side of the said high street, opposite to the said dwelling-house, consisting of a barn, stables, and hay loft, and other houses, with the barn-yard and garden lying at the back of the said range of houses. The above principal lodging is fit to accommodate a numerous and genteel family; and the subjects are presently possessed by John Campbell, Esq; of Newfield and others.

The agreeable and healthy situation of Inveresk, and the advantage of the Schools and markets of Edinburgh, adjoining to said village, all within four computed miles of Edinburgh, with the accommodation of stage-coaches twice a day to and from the same, are all in general known, as renders it altogether unnecessary to enlarge upon them.

The purchaser's entry to the above subjects will be at Whitunday 1784.

For further particulars application may be made to Edward Bruce, writer to the signet, New Edinburgh.

## LEMONS AND CHINA ORANGES.

**J**UST arrived from Portugal, in the Kitty and Peggy, Captain George Skirren, A Parcel of **LEMONS and CHINA ORANGES**, in high top Chefts, to be sold for ready money.

**ALSO**, lately arrived from Malaga,

Sun Raisins and Figs in quarter barrels.

Muscadel Raisins, Bloom Dittos, and } in Boxes,

Jordan Almonds.

Apply to John Walker and Co. Edinburgh, or David Liddell at their Warehouse, Leith.

N. B. Merchants may be supplied with best red and white Port and Lisbon Wines, in pipes and half pipes—Mountain, in butts and half butts.

By Order of the Honourable

## Commissioners of his Majesty's Customs.

**T**HERE is to be exposed to public roup and Sale, within the Custom-houses of the Ports, on the respective days after mentioned, at the hour of 12 noon, each day,

FOR HOME CONSUMPTION,

## Sundry Parcels of Foreign TEA, BRANDY,

**RUM, GENEVA, WINES**, and others, lately condemned in his Majesty's Court of Exchequer.

The Goods and conditions of sale to be seen at the respective Custom-houses, on the morning of the day of sale, and on the day immediately preceding, at Custom-house hours.

**DUNBAR**, Saturday, 10th January 1784.—268 gallons Brandy, 295 gallons Geneva, and 3 gallons Cinnamon Waters.

**LEITH**, Monday, 14th January.—75 lbs. fine Black Tea, and 12 lbs. coarse Tea, 93 gallons Brandy, 180 gallons Geneva, 95 gallons Cordial Waters, 26 gallons aquavite, and 358 packs Playing Cards, with a large parcel of Tobacco Pipes.

**ALLOA**, Wednesday, 16th January.—176 gallons Geneva, 36 gallons Rum, 110 gallons small red French Wine, and 4 tons Coals.

**ABERDEEN**, Friday 16th January.—105 gallons Rum, 359 gallons Geneva, 1965 gallons red Portugal Wine, and 3 lbs. Cinnamon.

**INVERNESS**, Monday 19th January.—654 gallons Geneva, and two open Boats, with their Furniture.

**THURSO**, Tuesday 20th January.—6 pieces Nankeen Cloth.

**AYR**, Wednesday, 21st January.—63 gallons Brandy, 32 gallons Rum, 57 gallons Geneva, and 1084 gallons red Portugal Wine.

**STRANRAER**, Friday, 23d January.—12 bushels Salt, 12 stone British raw Wool, and 320 lbs. Irish Soap.

**KITCHEN**, Monday 26th January.—320 bushels Salt, 3 chalders and 18 bushels Coals, and two open Boats, with their Furniture.

**CAMPBELLTON**, Wednesday, 28th January.—96 gallons Rum, 378 gallons red Portugal Wine, 148 gallons White Wine, and an open Boat.

**KIRKWALL**, Saturday, 31st January.—682 gallons Geneva, 16 gallons Brandy, and an open Boat.

**T**O be SOLD, within the Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Wednesday the 28th of January 1784, betwixt the hours of five and six afternoon,

## I. That SHOP and BACK-ROOM at the

Cross of Edinburgh, presently possessed by John Stark small-merchant, at the yearly rent of 14 l. Sterling.

**II.** The Laid House immediately below the said shop, possessed by William Simson, at the yearly rent of 9 l. Sterling.

**III.** That House in the middle of the Luckenbooths, consisting of two rooms, possessed by Finlay Maghane, at the yearly rent of 2 l. Sterling.

**IV.** That House at the back of Bess Wynd, consisting of three rooms, a kitchen, and cellar, possessed by William Fleming, at the yearly rent of 4 l.

The progress of writs and articles of sale to be seen in the hands of William Anderson, clerk to the signet.

**T**O be SOLD by public roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Tuesday the 20th day of January current,

## The following HOUSES lying in St. Andrew's

Close, on the south side of the High-Street of Edinburgh, viz.

**I.** A HOUSE entering from a paved court within the said close, consisting of four rooms, two closets, kitchen and cellar; as presently possessed by Mrs Wilkie.

**II.** A HOUSE immediately above Mrs Wilkie's, consisting of six rooms, two closets, kitchen, cellar, and garret, as presently possessed by Mr Masterton teacher.

**III.** A HOUSE entering from said court, consisting of one room, a closet, kitchen, and cellar, as presently possessed by Peter Macdonald.

**IV.** A SMALL HOUSE in said court, consisting of one apartment, as presently possessed by Agnes Wilson.

**V.** A LAIGH HOUSE in said close, with the Back Ground adjoining thereto, as presently possessed by William Adam.

**VI.** A HOUSE above William Adam's, consisting of two rooms and a closet, with a cellar, as presently possessed by Peter Gow.

For particulars apply to William Anderson clerk to the signet.

## HOUSES in Edinburgh to be SOLD,

**T**O be SOLD by public voluntary roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Monday the 16th day of January current.

**LOT I.**

That genteel LODGING or DWELLING-HOUSE, lying in Carriker's close, presently possessed by Mr Young, consisting of a dining-room, 184 feet square, a drawing room 19 feet long by 14 feet broad; four bed chambers with closets to each, a large dark closet; a kitchen, two cellars within the house, and many other conveniences fit to accommodate a large family.

**LOT II.**

That neat LODGING or DWELLING-HOUSE, at the bottom of said close, presently possessed by Mr Campbell of Duntroon, consisting of four rooms, kitchen, and three large light closets, with other conveniences.

The progress of writs, with the articles of roup, to be seen in the hands of Robert Trotter writer to the signet, who will inform as to other particulars.

**T**O be SOLD at Duff, in house of Mrs Wier, vintner there, the

on Wednesday the 24th day of March next.

## The Lands and Estate of MOORHALL,

formerly part of the Lands of HILLEN, containing 1644 acres, English measure, all inclosed and subdivided with ditch and hedge, lying in the parish of Coldingham, and county of Berwick: The lands are in the possession of John Constable the proprietor, all improved, pleasantly situated, and command a fine prospect of the country. They lie just upon the post road, within two miles of Coldingham, nine miles of Berwick upon Tweed, and three miles of Eyemouth, where plenty of lime is to be had at a reasonable price. There is a very neat Mansion-house upon the estate, with a complete set of offices. The lands hold of Mr Home of Wedderburn, and pay an yearly red-dutty of 7 s. Sterling.

For particulars apply to John Bogue, writer in Edinburgh, or Adam Watson writer in Duns, with whom the title deeds of the lands, and rental may be seen, who has power to conclude private bargain.

## EXCHANGES, LONDON WITH HOLLAND.

Amsterdam, 35 s. 8. d. Agio of the Bank } 1 per cent.

Ditto Right, 35 s. 4. d. from Holland, } 1 per cent.

Rotterdam, 35 s. 2 1/2 U.

**WIND AT D. E. A.**

**Dec. 28, P. N. E.**







the apartments of the Palace, where she has not been for some time past.

It is asserted, that all the efforts made to detach Prince of Wales from the interest of Mr Fox, have been abortive, his Royal Highness continuing to visit him from time to time. A few days since, the King returned from Hyde Park from Windsor, met the Prince and riding together, and in close conversation.

On Tuesday evening, died at Murrayhall, Strlingshire, one Haldane, daughter of the late John Haldane Esq. of Glasgow, and sister of the late Thomas Forster Esq. of Glasgow.

The great storm of snow, lately fallen, which we had so often taken notice of in former papers, we were led to believe, would have been carried off by a gentle thaw. But, on the afternoon, however, it began to snow again, with a violence as ever; nor has any intermission, to speak of, since. The snow at present lies so deep in the country, that all the Diligences and Stage Coaches, which set off in the morning, were obliged to return, after proceeding a very short way on their journeys. Among other disasters occasioned by the storm, we have to regret the Theatre not being opened this evening, as proposed by the Manager. Several of the Performers, having agreed to adopt a thrifty mode of conveyance from Glasgow, hired a caravan, which contains a great number of passengers, in order to bring them to Edinburgh. The coach, however, it would appear, was too much for the horses employed to carry through; the consequence of which has unhappily been, that the company, with this vehicle, was obliged to stop all way in hopes of some more favourable weather. Those kind gentlemen of the theatre, less anxious of saving expense, arrived safe in town last night; and it is more than probable, will be cheaper, upon the whole, than their brethren who meant to be so very economical. No Londonist is expected this night.

Our Welsh has received two Guineas from two charitable persons, to be disposed of for the use of the prisoners in the Tolbooth. Two carts of coals have likewise been sent to them by another charitable disposed person. These charities are peculiarly praiseworthy, and must afford great relief to the poor prisoners, at this very inclement season.

At the request of several Gentlemen of the County, the PRINCE OF WALES, delayed till Monday the 12th January.

Extract of a letter from Glasgow, Jan. 1.

On Sunday night last, at half an hour after eleven o'clock, Thermometer, exposed to the open air at the Observatory, stood at 4° above Zero. On Monday night, about the same time, it stood at 11°. On Tuesday night, about ten o'clock, to 4° above Zero.

The temperature of the snow at the surface, compared to that of the air 3 feet above, during the course of these three days, was very variable. Sometimes the snow was coldest 10°, sometimes of the same temperature, and sometimes of higher one by 4 or 5 degrees. These alterations, however, are found to be invariably connected with certain changes in the atmosphere, at that time remarkably frequent. From some experiments and observations, made during these three days of snow, it will be demonstrated, that the excess of cold, the snow, when such obtains, cannot possibly be owing to condensation, how difficult soever it may be to account for it upon any other principles as yet known.

The post-boy who arrived here on Wednesday morning, with the English mail from Dumfries, reports, that the post-boy at Dumfries to Thornhill was found frozen to death upon horse.

A set of banditti still continue their depredations on the high road in this city, without being yet detected. Several shops have been entered in the absence of the shop-keepers, though for a very short time, and the tills with their contents carried off. Yesterday, at the Cross, in the public market, a man was picked up, and three pounds in notes taken from him. It is hoped that some method will be adopted to bring them to public justice.

Extract of a letter from Berwick, Dec. 27.

Friday night, a vessel, of about 200 tons, in ballast, from Leith, was put on shore near Spittal. The master mistook a light at some coal-work near that place for the light of May. A passenger, and one of the sailors, were drowned by the overturning of the boat. The ship is not much damaged, and it is thought will be got off.

Extract of a letter from Aberdeen, Dec. 29.

On Wednesday last it began to snow, with the wind at N. In the evening the wind changed to about east, and blew a perfect hurricane. During the gale, the Industry, a vessel from Newcastle for this place, went ashore a little to northward of Don mouth. The master and mate were heaved overboard a little before the strike; the rest of the crew safe ashore, and got out of the goods saved, although much damaged. The Rodney, Taylor, and the Venus, —, both of this port from Sunderland with coals were wrecked, one near Skerrow, and the other at Cowie, and all the crew, to the number of 13, perished. Capt. Jolly's brig, with coals on board, with coals, of and for Montrose, was wrecked in Lunan bay, and all perished. These are all the accounts we have as yet come to hand of the damage done by the hurricane; but, from the extreme violence of it, there is reason to think the effects have been equally fatal on other parts of the coast. The snow has continued ever since Tuesday to fall, with intervals, and a greater quantity is seldom remembered to have fallen in so short a time. All communication with the north is in a manner stopped. The post was 9 hours between Melndrum and Aberdeen, and it was only by going over eminences on the road side that they were able to go on. The Edinburgh Saturday's post did not arrive here till Sunday morning, and yesterday's post at 8 this morning.

To the Printer of the Caledonian Mercury.

SIR,

The conduct of a Gentleman of fortune, in the north of Scotland, was truly noble. In December 1782, he surveyed all his tenants on four several estates, and found, that place of being able to pay him any virtual, they had not half enough to supply their own families for a year. He first opened and exhausted his own granaries for a present supply; he then imported grain from abroad to sow their lands, and, at the same time, he presented each of his tenants (save one) with all discharge for that year's rent. By the two first of these actions, he preserved them from starving with hunger; by the third, he delivered them from all anxious care about the future. One of his tenants, a rich miser, had accumulated several hundred pounds by avarice, and grinding the faces of the poor;

be obliged this unfeeling wretch to pay his rent, but ordered the factor to divide it amongst the widows, day-labourers, and poorer tenants, who had children.

He has lost by these good actions upwards of a thousand pounds Sterling; but he partakes of a much richer and any thing more was prepared by the books of the Emperor, the Emperor's. He enjoys a satisfaction unvalued by the men who are unacquainted with the divine luxury of doing generous actions: "A stranger intermeddled not with this joy." May God bless him. I am not at liberty to mention names, but have no doubt you will be justified in a worthy character, for publishing this. I am, Sir, &c.

ICNO 2118.

To the Printer of the Caledonian Mercury.

SIR,

NOT many days ago, as I was taking a ride with a friend, within two miles of the capital, seeing a gate open that led into a most beautiful park, I went in, happy in the prospect of once more surveying the delightful scenes of my youth. I had scarce reached a solitary house, an apology for an inn, which had been very familiar to me 30 years ago, and where I had spent many a pleasant hour, than a trusty messenger from a noble Lord, the owner of the demesne, made his appearance, and, as if ashamed of his master or his message, blushed when he told me that this was no road, and that his Lord had desired us to return, and not approach his mansion, which, you may believe, I had no inclination to do, as I never would wish to give offence, and, in this instance, was particularly careful that my conduct should not be called in question.

Were the noble Lord as conspicuous for his goodness of heart and benevolence of disposition, as he is for his taste in beautifying his grounds, (for I have not seen their superior in this part of the united kingdom) he would be an honour to the Peerage, a comfort to himself, and a blessing to all around him. But alas! what a falling off is there? Of what avail will his noble blood be to him a hundred years hence? The prince then will be on a level with the peasant.

In our sister kingdom, and in this kingdom, too, with a few exceptions, every great man, who has a house and park worthy the attention of a stranger, thinks it a compliment paid him when a visitor makes his appearance; and it ought surely to be considered in that point of view. The good things of this world are not given us for ourselves alone, nay, they are only lent us; and that for a very short period; so that therefore we ought not to hesitate a moment to dispense those blessings among our fellow-creatures. We cannot carry even a mite to the grave with us.

If a stranger should henceforth stroll into these forbidden paths, where he can be seen for a mile from the Castle, I would recommend to the noble owner, previous to his dispatching such a message, to read Dr Blair's inimitable Sermon upon Gentleness; a work highly valued by our most amiable Queen. He will then take a different line of conduct, and thank the writer for this gentle reproof. Yours, &c.

Edy. Dec. 24.

A CITIZEN.

A FELLOW TO MODERATION IN POLITICS proceeds upon a mistake. The Publisher must therefore be excused from giving his signature a place. What accompanied this favour, he may be assured shall be disposed of to-morrow in the manner he is pleased to point out.

SOUND SHIPPING.

ARRIVED AND REMAIN.

Dec. 9. Duke of Athole of Borrowstowness, Hart, from Memel, for Borrowstowness, with wheat.

The Nancy of Limekilns, David Bonar, likewise remains in this Roadstead, for a fair wind; though mentioned in my last, as having passed the Sound.

REMAINS, Dec. 13. Wind, W. N. W.

WALTER WOOD.

ARRIVED AT LEITH, Jan. 1. Katty and Peggy, Skirling, from Lifford, with wine and fruit; Nelly, Clark, from Inverkeithing, with coals; Anne, Boyd, from Berwick, with grain; Elizabeth, Thomson, from Kinnaird, with whilkie; George and Anne, Edmonds, from Lyan, with barley; Friendship, Ritchie, from London, with goods.

To the Members of the Chamber of Commerce in the City of Glasgow.

GENTLEMEN,

As many of your Members reside at a distance from your place of Meeting, I use the freedom to address you in this public manner, that each may have an opportunity of reading what I now offer.

By the public papers, it appears, that at your last meeting, among several weighty matters then under consideration, you expressed an intention to do every thing in your power to prevent an illicit trade, which is an object truly worthy of your notice.

You have already experienced the favours and attention of Government to the interest of manufacturers in your part of the country.

From experience, and knowledge of the country, I can point out that, for a number of years, the revenue has been evaded of a sum from eight to twelve thousand per annum; and how a check can be put to that practice, without hurting any individual, or laying the fair and honourable merchant under any restraint of hardship.

May I, therefore, Gentlemen, request you will be so kind as send me letters, recommending me to the Members of Parliament for the City of Glasgow, Counties of Lanark and Renfrew, either of whom, on your recommendation, will introduce me to the proper Board, or to the Honourable the Chairman of the Committee of the House of Commons, appointed to examine into the state of the revenue.

As this request perfectly coincides with the sentiments of your last Meeting, I hope to be favoured with letters to the Members of Parliament, whom you have formerly corresponded with, relating the affairs of your Society.

On my part, you may depend, that I will not trouble any person upon any subject that I do not thoroughly understand, and which, I venture to affirm, will, when laid before the proper officers, facilitate a more accurate collection of the revenue.

I am, with the greatest regard,

GENTLEMEN,

London, 27th Dec. 1783.

Your most obedient humble servant,

THOMAS HILL.

FARMS TO BE LET.

THE following Farms remain to be LET, and entered to immediately, either for grass or tillage, as can be agreed on.

At Primrose, or Carrington, 7 miles south of Edinburgh, and 3 from Dalkeith.

PRIMROSE OLD INCLOSURES, together, or separately, and containing about 120 acres, divided into 12 fields.

REDSIDE, containing about 300 acres, in old pasture, and inclosed with stone dykes, very fertile.

FATLIES, containing about 50 acres; with some houses, &c. in Primrose town.

Also, KEATON'S FARM, at Ochiltree, 2 miles east of Lifford, containing about 120 acres of fine land all inclosed.

Apply to Mr Clarke, at his farm of Somerside, near Dalkeith; or at Haddington, on market-days; to Mr Michelson, Nicholson Street, Edinburgh; or to Mr Melville, Barnbougle Castle; where there is ready for sale, Large Ash, Elm, and Plane, fine old timber Trees; also, many small Fir, about 25 years growth; the tops of which are ready to be sold and taken away, for firewood, bakers, &c.

More ditchers, Roadmakers, and Quarrymen are wanted.

**HUGH MACKAY, Coppermith and Brazier,**  
(Son of the late JAMES MACKAY Coppermith)  
Within the head of the West Row, Edinburgh.

TAKES this method of informing the particular Friends and Customers of his Father, and the Public at large, That he has now opened his Father's Shop, where he proposes to manufacture all kinds of BRASS and COPPER, in the most approved methods.

As H. MACKAY has been some time in England in pursuit of his business, he hopes that he has acquired such a knowledge of it as will commend him to the patronage of the Public, whose favours he shall, by a faithful and punctual attendance, study to deserve.

Among a great assortment of English manufactured Goods, he has just made to hand a variety of Silver-mounted and Plain TEACUPPERS of an antique new and approved fashion, equal if not superior to any ever offered to sale in this country.

Also, a variety of Prince's Metals, Brass, and Tinned Candlesticks, with many other articles which cannot be related within the limits of an advertisement.

**ONE HUNDRED POUNDS STERLING**  
TO BE GAINED BY  
**THE FORTUNATE ADVENTURERS IN**  
**A. Aitchison's Lottery of Silver Plate, &c.**

WHILE A. AITCHISON returns his most grateful thanks to the Nobility, Gentry, and others who have favoured him with their countenance in his present and former Lotteries, he repeats his assurance to all who intend to adventure in his ensuing drawing, That it will positively be held this day fourteen days, at twelve o'clock, provided the tickets shall be sold, which he has every reason to expect from recent rapid sale previous to last drawing. Such as wish to present their friends with a genteel New Year's Gift, at a small expense, ought not to omit the present opportunity, where a chance for TWENTY POUNDS Sterling may be had for a Crown.

TICKETS, 5 s. and SHARES 1 s. 15 d. and 2 s. 6 d. may be had of A. AITCHISON, Parliament Square, Scheme gratis.

**NOTICE**

To the CREDITORS of Buchanan, Halls, and Company, Merchants in Glasgow; and of Robert Halls, Andrew Buchanan Senior, James Junction, and William Buchanan, all merchants in Glasgow; James Buchanan late of Drumpeffer, Richard Cameron of Croft, John Laing and John Lindsay, both merchants in Glasgow, and Henry Galley late merchant in Stirling; all Partners of the said Company of Buchanan, Halls, and Company.

THE Lords of Council and Session having, by an act, dated the 12th day of December last, in terms of an act of Parliament, passed in the 22d year of his present Majesty, intitled "An act for rendering the payment of creditors more equal, and expeditious in that part of Great Britain called Scotland," &c. received the sequestrations of the estates of the said debtors, formerly awarded, in terms of a former act of Parliament in the 25th year of his present Majesty's reign, with the addition of all lands and heritages in Scotland belonging to the said bankrupts, and each of them, as partners or individuals; and in pursuance thereof, and of proper advertisements in the newspapers, a meeting of creditors having been held, for choosing an interim factor on the said estates, Alex. Brown merchant in Glasgow was chosen factor on the said estates; and Wednesday the 18th of February next, at one o'clock afternoon, in the Postoffice Coffeehouse of Glasgow, was appointed for a general meeting of the creditors, for choosing a trustee, or succession of trustees, or a factor upon the said estates, in terms of the said latest act; also the Sheriff of Lanark was appointed to sit on Thursday the 8th, 15th, 22d, and 29th days of January 1784, within the Sheriff Court-house of Glasgow, at one o'clock afternoon each of these days, in order that the factor, or any of the creditors may examine the bankrupts, or their families, or others acquainted with their business, and put such questions to them as they may judge proper, for rendering the discovery and surrender of the bankrupts estates more complete.

These are therefore intimating to the bankrupts and their creditors, and all concerned, the said appointment, requiring them to be present at the said sittings of the Sheriff, for the purposes aforesaid, with certification as in the act; and requiring all the creditors, or others authorized by them, to meet upon the said 18th day of February, place and hour aforesaid, in order to choose a trustee or succession of trustees, or a factor on the said estates; and to bring with them their vouchers of debt, and new affidavits on the verity thereof, notwithstanding of former affidavits in the former sequestration.

**JUDICIAL SALE.**  
BY ADJOURNMENT—AND PRICE REDUCED.

TO be SOLD, by public roup, under the authority of the Lords of Council and Session, within the Parliament, or new Session-House of Edinburgh, upon Friday the 30th day of January current, between the hours of four and five in the afternoon, before the Lord Ordinary on the bills,

THE TOWN & LANDS of KIRKTON EARLSTRAITHDIGHTY, with the Manor-place and pertinents, and tithes of the same, lying within the parish of Mearns, and Sheriffdom of Forfar, which belonged to the deceased George Pilmor of Kirkton merchant in Dundee.

The proven free rent of the lands is 103 l. 7 s. 6 d. 7-faths; and the lands are to be exposed to sale at eighteen years purchase of that rent, being 2,11 l. 4 s. 4 d. 6-faths Sterling. They are holden of a subject, for payment of a yearly feu-duty of 5 s. 6 d. 8-faths sterling.

The articles of sale may be seen at the office of Mr Stevenson deputy clerk of Session; and further information may be got, by applying to Alexander Duncan writer to the signet.

**AT LONDON—FOR LEITH,**  
**THE LOVELY MARY,**  
RITCH. GARDNER, (for Wm. BRATTON) Master.  
Now at Hawley's Wharf, taking in Goods for Edinburgh, and all places adjacent to the Firth of Forth, and will sail on the 17th Jan. 1784, to be depended on.  
Letters on business, directed to the Master, at the New England Coffeehouse, behind the Exchange, will be properly attended to.

**AT LONDON—FOR LEITH,**  
**The LIVINGSTON,**  
ROBERT STEVENSON, Master.  
LYING at Hoare's Wharf, taking in goods for Edinburgh, and all places adjacent, deliverable at Leith, and is to sail the 18th January 1784.  
The Master to be spoke with on board the vessel, mornings and evenings; and on Change at Change hours.  
The above is a good stout brig, and is to continue in the trade, if encouraged.

For Potomack River, Virginia, and Maryland,  
**THE SHIP JEANIE,**  
WILLIAM M'GILL Master.  
A fine new Ship, of two hundred and fifty tons burden, lying at Port Glasgow; to go out about the middle of February, at the latest.  
For freight or passage apply to Henderson, Gordon, Riddell and Co. at Glasgow, or to Messrs. Alexander M'Lachlan and Co. or the Master, at Port Glasgow.

To be Sold by private bargain,  
**The Brigantine LOVE and UNITY,**  
of Aberdeen.  
ALEX. BYRES Master.  
As the now lies in the harbour of Leith, from 150 to 160 tons burthen; sails well on an easy draft of water, and is very fit for the dry harbours of this coast.  
For further particulars apply to Adolphus and Andrew Scates, at their ropery, Leith, who will show her inventory, and give every other information purchasers shall require.  
N.B. They have for sale, a parcel of Peterborough Clean HEMP, and 10 Head FLAX, of very fine quality.  
Not to be repeated.



